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City's Purification Begun by Authorities Hunting the "Tiger"

Nine Arrests Made Tuesday and all Held Under \$300 Bond Charged with Retailing--Rumored That They Would be Arrested for Gambling and Sensation Promised

Some weeks ago the city authorities got it into their heads that the selling of whiskey, beer and other intoxicants within the corporate limits was getting a bit too promiscuous and set about ways and means of finding out who was responsible in the matter. The first step was to secure the services of two Burns Detective Agency men who came to the community as rest seekers on pleasure bent. They ingratiated themselves with quite a few of the persons who they believed might know something about the hiding places of the "booze" and succeeded in purchasing a quantity of the "contraband." When they had finished their labors and had located at least a few of the "smaller fry," they reported that they were ready to make the haul which was done Tuesday morning and nine men accused of selling liquor contrary to the statute made and provided, etc., etc., were marched to the court house where His Honor, Mayor Shepherd, heard the cases and gave it in each case that "the judgment of the court is that you are guilty" and each defendant was held under a bond of \$300.00 lawful money of the realm, to answer for their transgressions at the next term of the circuit court. Of course some of the men were able to give the necessary bond while others were remanded to jail to languish until the time of trial.

It had been rumored that there was to be a big haul of men who were to be accused of the unlawful playing of cards and rattling of bones, but the sensation which this raid promised did not materialize, altho it is stated

that the detectives were in possession of the necessary information. As a result several of those who feared trouble in case of said raid being made, left town Tuesday night for parts unknown and will probably remain away until the "coast is clear."

Those arrested and held for trial were: W. L. Foster, Bob Stroupe, Densmore Brock, Clarence Bryson, Clarence Hoops, Edgar Ward, Simpson Butler, Ed Garren, Jule Collins, the latter having two cases docketed against him.

Connor Loses Three Fingers.

Thomas B. Connor well known here who has been working with the Carr Lumber company at Pisgah Forest sometime, met with a serious accident last Thursday when he lost three of his fingers on his left hand in a part of the moving machinery. He has been here receiving medical attention ever since the accident. His many friends wish him a speedy recovery of his injuries.

French Delegates to Exposition Here.

New York, Sept. 1.—The French national commission to the Panama-Pacific exposition at San Francisco headed by Alfred Tisman, reached New York today. The commission will spend two days in New York, then proceed to San Francisco to select and officially accept the site for the French national pavilion and to arrange for space for French industrial and education exhibits.

Farm Demonstration Bureau Has Been Established Here

Rallies Will be Held at Many Places in County During the Month for Instruction of Farmers.

Henderson county farmers are now to have their inquiring for the state has provided adequately for their instruction by sending to Hendersonville a demonstration bureau. The demonstration bureau is Ernest L. Perkins, a competent and experienced agriculturist who will make this county his home during his official connection with the state government. He is a native North Carolinian from Caldwell county and has made agriculture his profession. He comes directly from the school at Raleigh where seventy demonstrators have been taking the short course. Mr. Perkins arrived Monday and was accompanied by E. S. Millsaps, district agent of farm demonstration who introduced him to the people of Henderson county with the highest recommendation. It is the purpose of Mr. Perkins to acquaint himself immediately with the soil and other conditions existing in the county and to meet personally all of the farmers of the several sections.

To accomplish this he will travel extensively and he together with Prof. Shille, county superintendent of public instruction, to hold a series of farm and school rallies over the county. These rallies at the Green River school house on Monday, Sept. 22, and will be followed by rallies at the Dana school house Sept. 23, the Liberty school house Sept. 24, Fletcher graded school, Sept. 25, Mills River school house, Sept. 26 and at the court house in Hendersonville, Saturday, Sept. 27. The teachers at the several places will be asked to suspend their schools during the day of the rally and the teachers, children and parents are urged to attend the instruction at the school. They are requested to bring dinner as the affair will partake of

the nature of a basket picnic with valuable instruction as a special attraction. Among those who will speak and lecture at the rallies will be Dr. W. S. Rankin and Professor C. L. Brogden of Raleigh, District Agent E. S. Millsaps, County Demonstrator E. L. Perkins and Prof. Shille. The speaking and instruction will begin at 10 A. M. and close at 4 P. M.

It is the desire of those in charge of the arrangements for the rallies that they be as largely attended as possible for the opportunity presented for the securing of valuable information is one which should not be missed. It is Mr. Perkins' desire to assist in the upbuilding of the agricultural interests of the county in every possible way. He will be in the county superintendent's office at the court house every Saturday when he may be consulted. Mr. Millsaps is very enthusiastic about the work in Henderson county and believes the farmers and citizens generally will cooperate in a helpful way. He realizes that without the hearty co-operation of the people, neither he nor Mr. Perkins will be able to accomplish any great good.

Cammetti White Slave Trial Nearing End.

San Francisco, Sept. 2.—Except for brief minor testimony to be introduced tomorrow, the government today completed its case against F. Drew Cammetti, whom it seeks to prove guilty of violating the Mann act by transporting Lola Norris for immoral purposes from her home in Sacramento to Reno, Nev. The defense promised to rest Thursday.

Marsha Warrington and Lola Norris were the chief witnesses of the day. Miss Warrington resolutely reaffirmed the responsibility of Maury I. Diggs, recently found guilty, for her downfall. Champagne had been served in Diggs' office, she said. "I was intoxicated."

Twenty-five Were Killed And Fifty Are Injured

Terrible Wreck on New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Near New Haven, Conn.

New Haven, Conn., Sept. 2.—Twenty-five persons were killed and nearly fifty injured, some of whom may die, in a rear-end collision shortly before 7 o'clock this morning on the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad, six miles north of here.

The first section of the White Mountain express, bound for New York, speeding along at probably forty miles an hour, in a thick fog, rushed by a danger signal, it is said, and crashed into the rear of the second section of the Bar Harbor express,

standing 100 feet beyond the block signal.

Cleaves Through Cars.

The White Mountain engine cleaved through the two rear Pullman cars, both of wood, splitting them in two and tossing their wreckage and three score of mangled human beings, some alive, some dead, on either side of the track.

The third car, also of wood and occupied by forty boys on their way from a summer camp at Mammoth Maine, was lifted into the air and fell on its side crumpled up and crushing two of the boys to death and injuring others.

Some of the victims of the two rear Pullman's were hurled from berths over a fence paralleling the track fifty feet distant; mattresses, bedding and clothing found lodgment in the telegraph wires.

Instructors of Henderson County Organize

Timely Addresses Delivered Saturday by Professors W. S. Shittle, W. H. Cale, W. C. Allen, N. M. Hollowell to the Public School Teachers of Henderson County.

At the first meeting of the present year of the public school teachers of Henderson county at Hendersonville Saturday morning a number of interesting addresses were heard and the Henderson County Teachers' association was organized with A. P. Bell, president; R. F. Pace, vice president; Miss Hester Pillo, secretary; and Miss Lillian Hight, assistant secretary.

The meeting was held in the auditorium of the graded school building and despite the threatening weather during the early morning hours there was a good attendance on the part of teachers.

The devotional exercises were conducted by Prof. W. H. Cale, superintendent of the Hendersonville graded schools, after which Prof. W. S. Shittle, superintendent of the public schools of Henderson county, made some encouraging remarks as to the excellent opening of the schools, saying that where formerly there was only one teacher it had been necessary to supply two for a number of the schools in the county. He spoke of the compulsory feature of the school work and also the responsibility of the teachers and the importance of their attending the teachers' meetings regularly, emphasizing the fact that their attendance is compulsory. The speaker told the teachers that heretofore he had borne the difficulties of arranging the programs for the meetings, but would shift this work to the greater extent upon them, thus making it necessary to organize themselves, after which the organization was perfected.

Prof. Cale spoke briefly of the importance of co-operation on the part of teachers and invited them to feel at home at all times at their meetings in Hendersonville with the teachers of the graded school. He explained that the school was open to the people of Henderson county, except the business department, which was inaugurated last year. He said that this department was most successful and would be continued and that he hoped the time would soon come when no tuition fee would be charged those taking the business course.

Noah M. Hollowell, assistant secretary of the Western North Carolina Fair association, responded to the call of Professor Shittle for a few remarks as to the relationship of the school work with the educational department of the Fair to be held in Asheville in October, by congratulating the superintendent upon shifting the bulk of the work incident to the teachers' meetings upon the county instructors. He urged them to cooperate most heartily and work together as a strong educational force for Henderson county in order to accomplish the greatest things possible. Mr. Hollowell told the teachers that he was not unmindful of their influence and the importance of their work in which he was keenly interested. He assured the teachers that upon his return to Hendersonville during the early part of November in connection with his work on the Western Carolina Democrat and French Broad Hustler, he would inaugurate an educational department in which would be given accounts of the work of the school teachers of Henderson county, provided they co-operated with him in this undertaking. Mr. Hollowell

told the teachers that working as a body they were sufficiently strong to accomplish many good things for themselves and the county and one of the present needs to which he called their attention was the early organization of a Henderson County Fair association for the exploitation of the educational, agricultural and other important interests of this section for the coming year. He invited them to be present on Educational Day of the Western North Carolina Fair in order that they might acquaint themselves with something of the nature and scope of the work that has been done by educational workers for the advancement of Western North Carolina.

Prof. W. C. Allen, former superintendent of Waynesville graded schools and now president of the Western North Carolina Educational society addressed the teachers as to the purposes of this organization, which organized a few months ago with the view to securing for this section a training school for the teachers. Prof. Allen stated that although the promoters of this society met with defeat in their effort to secure an appropriation from the last legislature, they were in hopes of enlisting sufficient co-operation to accomplish results in its efforts two years hence. He spoke of the needs and possibilities of such an institution in Western North Carolina and gave statistics to show that the eastern part of the state had been given \$45,000 annually for the purpose of training teachers while the western part of the State had enjoyed but \$22,500. Prof. Allen solicited subscriptions from teachers and read endorsements from a number of organizations. He said that the annual memberships dues of \$1 would be applied to defraying the expenses incident to perfecting the organization and waging the fight before the next legislature for an appropriation for the proposed institution.

The movement for a teachers' training school for Western North Carolina was unanimously endorsed by the teachers organization and a number of memberships were secured.

Prof. Allen is traveling in the various counties of Western North Carolina in the interest of the school and will perfect a very strong organization pressure upon the next legislature for the purpose of bringing sufficient to insure the success of the much-needed institution.

Among the teachers present were: C. J. Ashworth, Sue Allen, Mamie G. Briggs, J. W. Briggs, A. P. Bell, Bertha Brevard, Olive Cooper, G. F. Clark, J. P. Dewey, Jennie Bell Jones, Alma Freeman, Annie Fields, Loren Fields, Bertha Hill, Lily E. Hight, Sue Heath, Nellie Hamilton, J. T. Hill, Nellie Hart, Belle Jones, Mrs. F. M. Johnson, Annie Johnson, Evelyn Johnson, T. M. Johnson, Marie R. Lane, Eufonia Ledbetter, Belle Ledbetter, Lenora Lanning, Eugenia Morrison, D. P. McCann, P. E. McCall, Prof. B. R. Minton, Mae Osborne, L. Y. Pittillo, Hester Pittillo, J. H. Pace, Mrs. J. H. Pace, Jennie C. Reams, R. F. Pace, Annada Ramsay, Norman A. Randall, Mamie Rymer, Delorah Stepp, Lola R. Shipman, Ava Ohook, Z. A. Shipman, H. F. Sayles, Miriam Steele, Elizabeth Thompson, Mattie Williams, W. S. Young.

Daring Hold-Up of Two Lady Visitors Near Highland Lake

Sheriff and Deputies on Scene Soon After Notification and Succeeded in Arresting Man Identified by Victims--Valuables Taken From Women Not Yet Recovered by Authorities.

Two of the guests of Highland Lake Club were held up Wednesday morning by a white man in a strip of woods near a drive way leading from the Club House to East Flat Rock.

Mrs. Robert Hunter and companion of Mobile, Ala., were returning from East Flat Rock station where they had made some purchases that morning. Almost in sight of the Club house Mrs. Hunter states that a young white man, who she thought to be Spurgeon Kuykendall of Flat Rock, approached the two ladies from behind.

The two ladies became frightened and began to run towards the club house. The young highwayman grabbed the hand satchel in the hands of Mrs. Hunter and succeeded in pulling it away from her, while Mrs. Hunter's companion had presence of mind enough to use her umbrella freely upon the head of the desperado.

The young man evidently was new to the business for he overlooked several large diamond rings upon the hand of Mrs. Hunter. In the hand bag Mrs. Hunter carried a very valuable watch which she prized highly. A phone message was sent to Sheriff Drake at the court house of the hold-up. Within twenty minutes afterwards the Sheriff was on the scene with his deputies in an automobile. Messrs. J. E. Dodson, Bill Hill, Otis Powers.

A search was at once begun and with the assistance of several witnesses who say they saw young Kuykendall at various times Wednesday morning near the patch of woods suspicion was placed upon him. He was later carried to the ladies at Highland

Lake and was identified by Mrs. Hunter. The sheriff tracked the route made by the young man from his work with a section gang on the railroad track to the spot where the daring deed was performed.

The trial will take place Thursday at the court house. The affair created a great deal of excitement in the Flat Rock section. There was about 100 persons searching the woods for the highwayman.

FLORIDIAN HURT BY MOVING CAR

Was Slightly Deaf and Failed to Hear Car's Gong Warning--Head Injured But Will Recover.

Shortly before 3 o'clock yesterday afternoon, J. A. Boytree, a resident of the Columbia Park section, and a wealthy citizen of Orlando, Fla., was badly injured by a collision with the car of the Hendersonville Traction Company at a point on Chestnut street near the residence of A. P. Callemore. It seems that Mr. Boytree is somewhat deaf and did not hear the warning gong of the car, he being engaged in watching a nero fall from a wagon a short distance in front. Drs. Cranford, Drafts and Howe all went to the injured man who was found to have severe scalp wounds but will recover.

Arbitration Committee Reviews Findings In City Hospital Case

The committee appointed at the last meeting of the Greater Hendersonville Club to act upon the information and report made by a previously appointed committee to examine into the merits of the controversy between the directors of the Patton Memorial Hospital and the committee representing the G. W. N. C. Association regarding the division of a sum of \$1,000 appropriated by the county commissioners, has made the following statement:

1. That two members of the Greater W. N. C. A. living in or near Fletcher, being desirous of helping to raise the amount assessed on Henderson County by the G. W. N. C. A., devised means whereby one of the two in the exercise of his legal choice should list certain properties for taxation in Henderson County, instead of in Mecklenburg County, where they had hitherto been listed, thus bringing more than \$1,000 a year extra into the Henderson County treasury; in order to enable the Henderson County Commissioners to make a donation to the G. W. N. C. A. for advertising Henderson County.

2. That the Henderson County Commissioners were made to believe that they could not legally give any of the County funds to the G. W. N. C. A., and therefore were not again asked to do so.

3. That without the discovery of this aforesaid extra \$1,000 it was believed that the County could not afford and therefore would not give more than \$200 or \$300 to the Patton Memorial Hospital.

nation from the Hospital and should succeed in their effort that the Patton Memorial Hospital Association, as the party of the second part, should donate to the G. W. N. C. A., an amount equal to one-half of what they should receive from the County.

5. That the party of the first part fulfilled its part of the agreement, made the effort and through that effort secured a donation to the Hospital of \$1,000.

6. That the Patton Hospital Association received the money obtained under the aforesaid agreement, but have so far repudiated the onus of the agreement, claiming that they were not bound by the unofficial agreement of unauthorized individual trustees.

Note. (The Hospital Association would have been bound by an agreement entered into without their knowledge or authority if they had not accepted the fruit of the agreement. By accepting the money they are morally bound to accept the agreement under which the money was obtained. They ought to reject both or accept both, not accept the benefit and reject the responsibility. The Hospital Association by accepting the money obtained by Mrs. Whitaker, Dr. Drafts and Dr. Williams, acknowledged them to be its agents in that transaction, and were morally bound by any agreement they made in the premises.)

7. That the County Commissioners have nothing further to do with the matter in hand. They did what they were asked to do, viz: gave \$1,000 to the Hospital Association. The G. W. N. C. A. committee do not claim to have any agreement with the County Commissioners but only with those whom they were led to believe were acting as agents for the Patton Memorial Hospital Association, viz: Mrs. Chas. R. Whitaker, Dr. A. B. Drafts and Dr. Roy Williams, and who the outcome clearly shows were such agents in fact.

R. N. WILLCOX,
For the Committee.